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I strongly urge the courts to reject the current settlement proposed by Microsoft. The only way to repair the damage Microsoft has done to the software industry over the past five years is to implement the following:

- 1) Require Microsoft to continue development of Office and Internet Explorer at an acceptably high level for the Macintosh operating system. Apple cannot fairly compete with Microsoft because they hold development on the Mac platform for these two key areas over Apple's head.
- 2) Prevent Microsoft from pressuring PC manufacturers to include their Windows operating system, Internet Explorer browser and Windows Media Player multimedia device. To allow for fair competition, buyers of PCs should have options available to them.
- 3) Prevent Microsoft from forcing their ISP partners (such as Qwest Communications) from restricting use of operating system, browser or media player. If one wants DSL in Denver, one has to be on a Windows PC, using Internet Explorer if they deal with Qwest.

There will not be a second opportunity to remedy this situation. The political courage needs to be found to reign in Microsoft and restore competition and consumer choice to the computer and software industries.

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